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Honorable Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

LETTER TO DRAFTSPERSON

Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts dated September 18, 2001, Applicants are submitting herewith new formal drawings for Figures 1 through 13d that comply with 37 C.F.R. § 1.84. The Examiner is respectfully requested to provide an acceptability of the attached drawings in accordance with prescribed procedures.

Kindly direct any inquiries in connection with this matter to the undersigned at the belowlisted address and telephone number.

Respectfully submitted,

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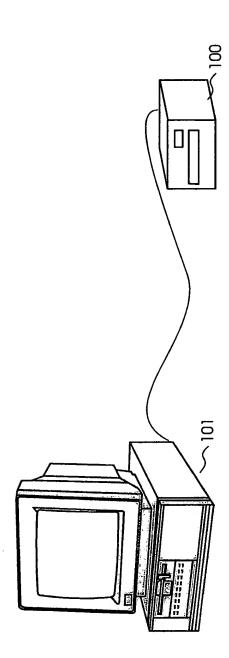


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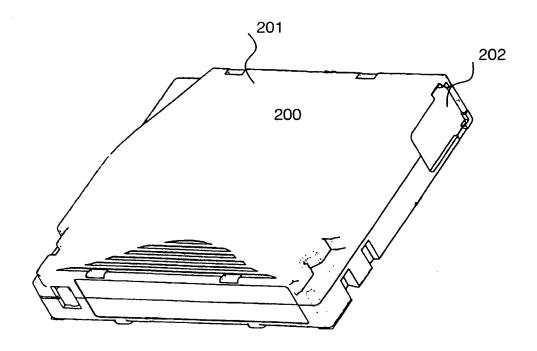


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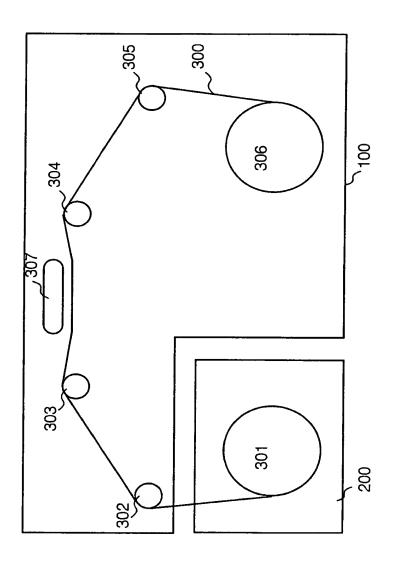


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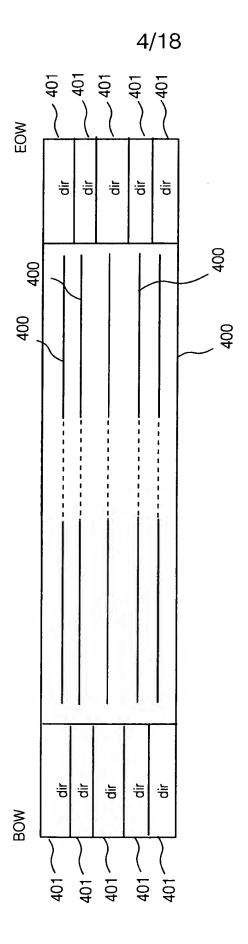
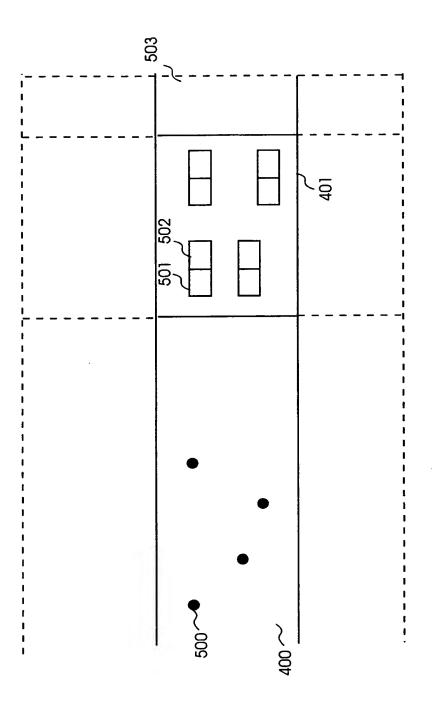


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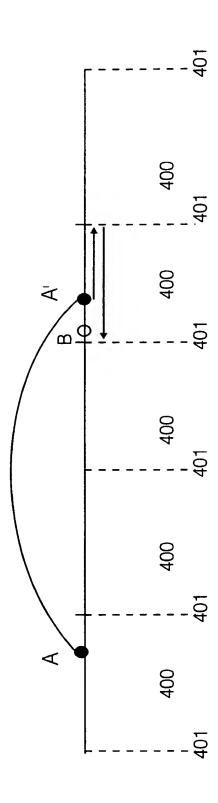


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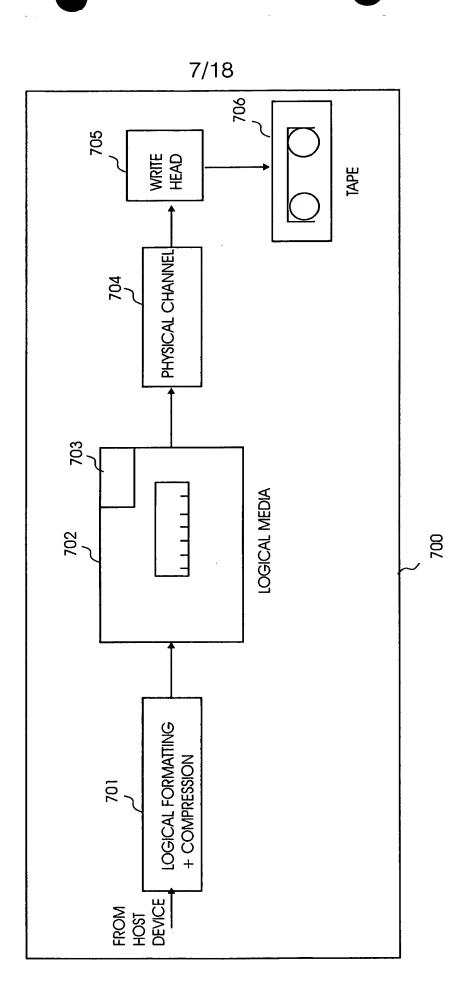


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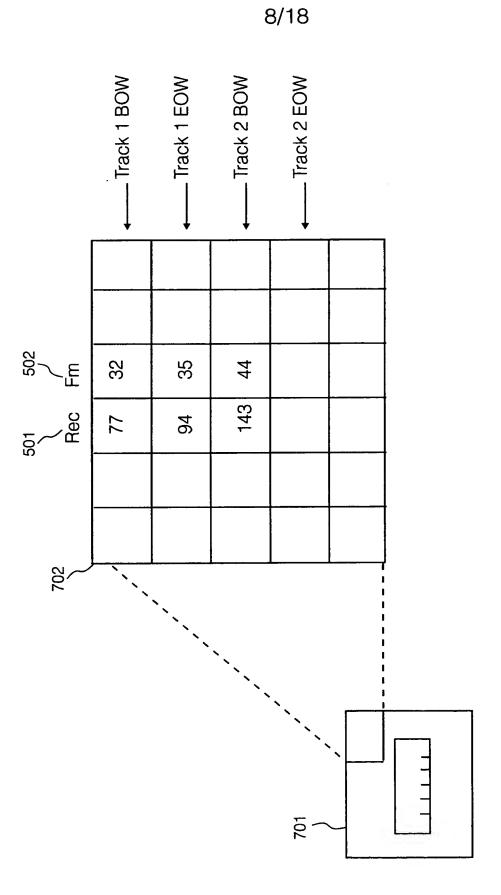


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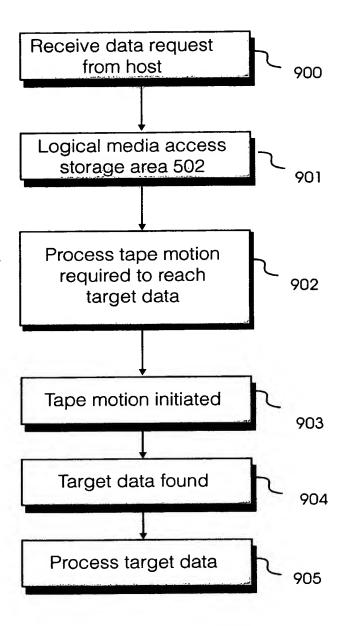


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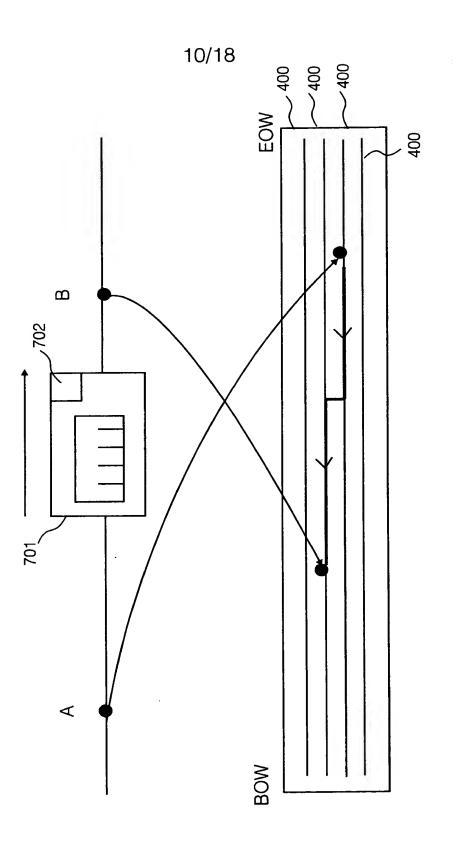
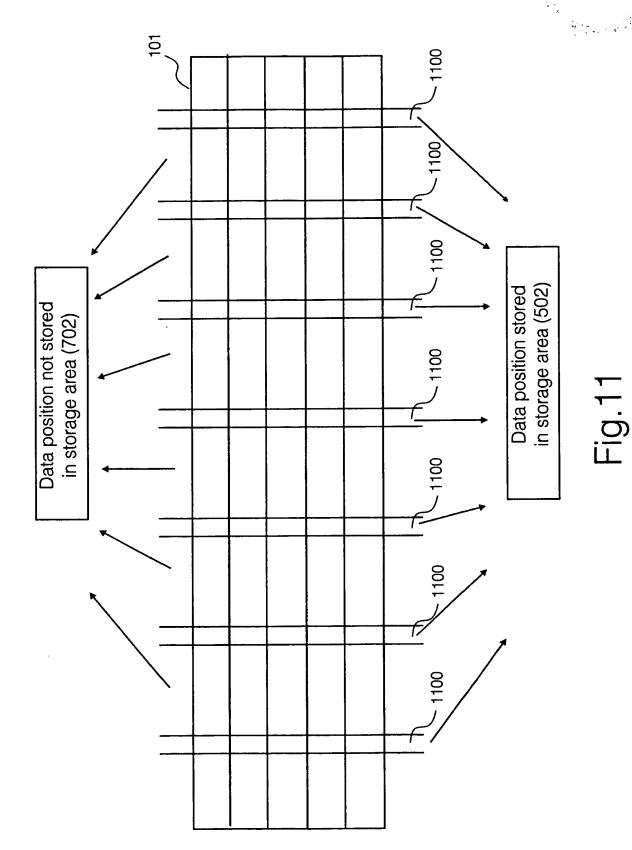


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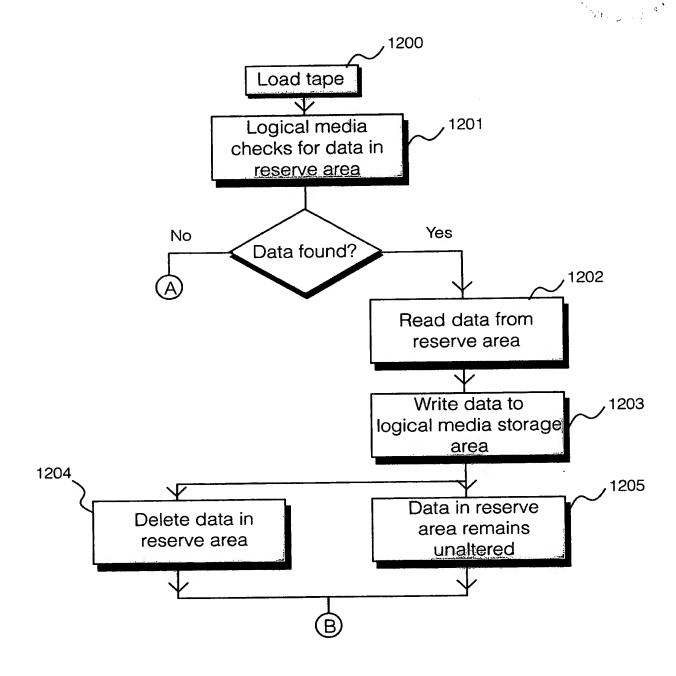


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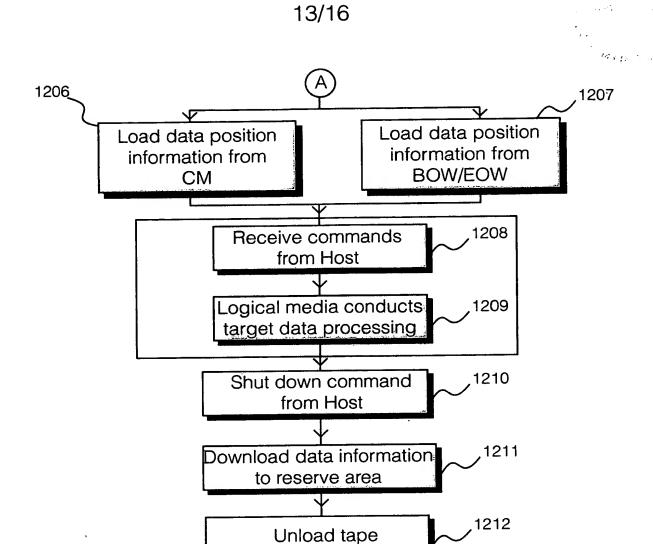


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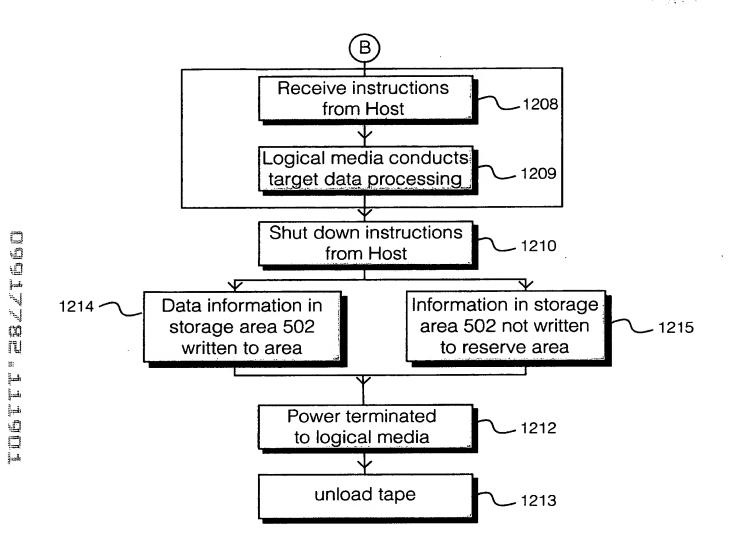


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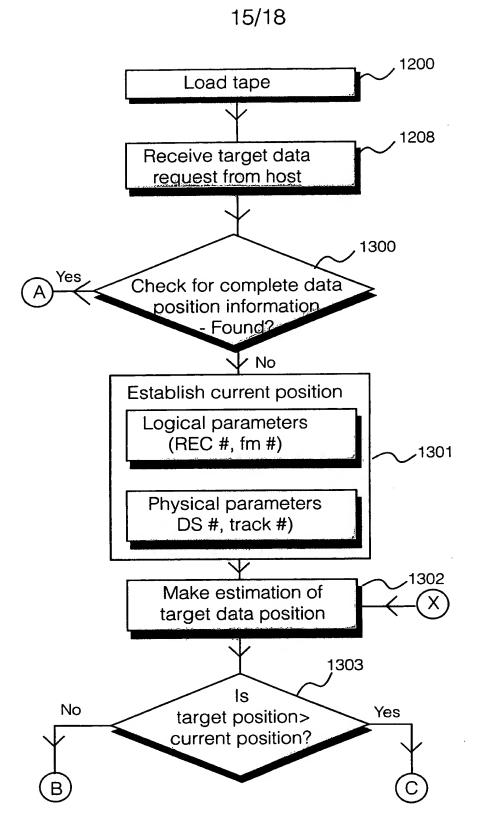


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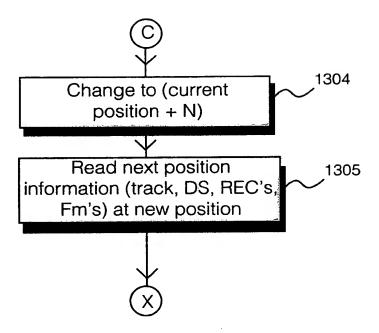


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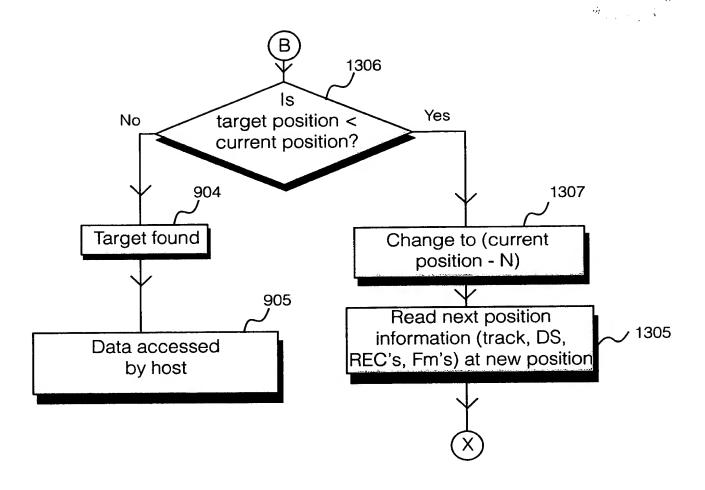


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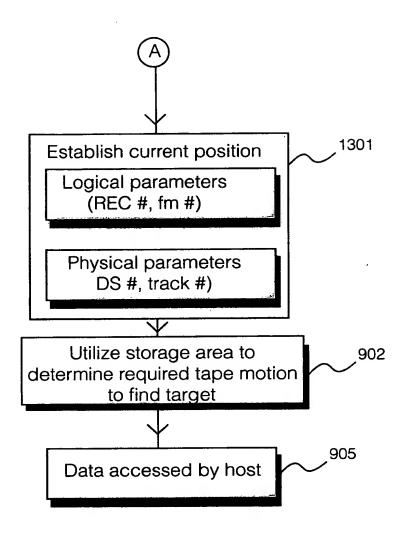


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